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## **DOE and NRC holds public meeting via telephone on the Draft Basis for Section 3116 Determination for Closure of F-Tank Farm at the Savannah River Site**

AIKEN, SC, - The Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Operations Office (SR) and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will host a public meeting via conference call on December 14, 2010, regarding NRC's Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) on the Draft Basis for Section 3116 Determination for Closure of the F-Tank Farm (FTF) at the Savannah River Site. This call provides DOE an opportunity to seek clarification on questions received from the NRC on the Draft Basis for Section 3116 Determination.

DOE prepared this Draft Basis pursuant to Section 3116(a) of the of the Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2005, which authorizes the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the NRC, to determine that certain waste from reprocessing is not High-Level Waste, if the provisions set forth in section 3116(a) are satisfied.

The Draft Basis for Section 3116 Determination for Closure of the FTF was published on September 30, 2010 and the public comment period extends through January 7, 2011.

The Draft Basis and NRC's RAIs are available on request from the contact listed below or on the Internet at the DOE website:

[http://sro.srs.gov/f\\_htankfarmsdocuments.htm](http://sro.srs.gov/f_htankfarmsdocuments.htm), under F and H Tank Farm. There are 25 ports available for this conference call.

The call-in number and time for this meeting are as follows:

**Conference call (Toll-free number): 1 (888)-970-4132**

**Passcode: 41575**

**Date and Time: December 14, 2010 from 1 - 3 p.m.**

**Contact: Ms. Sherri Ross, email: [sherri.ross@srs.gov](mailto:sherri.ross@srs.gov) or phone: (803) 208-6078**

In preparing the Final Determination, DOE will consider all comments transmitted or postmarked by January 7, 2011. Comments submitted after this date will be considered to the extent practicable.

Additional information on the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management and the Savannah River Site, can be found at <http://www.em.doe.gov> or <http://www.srs.gov>.

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